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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 122757

GENEVA FOR AMB. GEORGE ALDRICH

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: MARR, BF, SZ

SUBJECT: BAHAMAS MILITARY FACILITIES NEGOTIATIONS
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REF: (A) NASSAU 971 (B) GENEVA 6885

I. DEPT APPRECIATES EMBASSY'S INSIGHTS INTO POSSIBLE
PROBLEMS WITH FORMAL LETTER TO MINEXTAFF ADDERLEY (REF A).
HOWEVER, ON BALANCE, DEPT FEELS THERE IS SIGNIFICANT
ADVANTAGE TO OFFICIALLY INFORMING GCOB AT THIS TIME

THAT AMB. ALDRICH HAS BEEN NAMED TO HEAD THE U.S. DELEGATION. BY SO DOING, WE WOULD BE SHOWING THAT WE HAVE BEEN VERY RESPONSIVE TO HIS CONCERNS BY NAMING AN AMBASSADOR -- A DIRECT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PRESIDENT -- AS CHIEF NEGOTIATOR. REGARDLESS OF THE NATURE OF FOLLOW ON TALKS, ADDERLEY CAN HARDLY REFUSE ON PROTOCOL GROUNDS TO NEGOTIATE WITH SOMEONE OF AMBASSADORIAL RANK. INFORMING ADDERLEY OF AMB. ALDRICH'S DESIGNATION NOW WOULD ALLOW ADDERLEY THE POSSIBILITY OF PARTICIPATING IN THE NEXT NEGOTIATION SESSION WITHOUT PRESSING HIM TO DO SO, THEREBY LEAVING OPEN THE POSSIBILITY OF SUBSTANTIVE NEGOTIATIONS.

2. ACCORDINGLY, DEPT PROPOSES THE FOLLOWING LETTER AS A FOLLOW UP TO LETTER DELIVERED APRIL 26 PER NASSAU 0897.

BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR MR. MINISTER:

AS A FOLLOW UP TO MY LETTER OF APRIL 26, I AM PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT AMBASSADOR GEORGE ALDRICH HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS CHIEF NEGOTIATOR AND HEAD OF THE U.S. DELEGATION TO THE MILITARY FACILITIES NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.
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AMBASSADOR ALDRICH, AN EXPERIENCED SENIOR DIPLOMAT, WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER HE FINISHES HIS WORK AT THE CURRENT SESSION OF THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE IN GENEVA. AMBASSADOR SCHWARTZ WILL BE AVAILABLE TO DISCUSS WITH YOU POSSIBLE DATES AND LOCATIONS FOR THE NEXT SESSIONS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO RESUMING MILITARY FACILITIES NEGOTIATIONS IN A SPIRIT OF MUTUAL CONFIDENCE AND UNDERSTANDING APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE NEIGHBORS.

WITH PERSONAL BEST REGARDS, I REMAIN

SINCERELY,

TERENCE A. TODMAN
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE

END TEXT

3. IN DISCUSSION WITH ADDERLEY, EMBASSY SHOULD DRAW ON

PARA 2 OF STATE 112746 AND PARA 2 REF B FOR PREFERRED DATES AND LOCATIONS.

4. REFERENCE C IN STATE 112746 WAS GARBLED IN TRANSMISSION. IT SHOULD HAVE READ STATE 104400 REPEAT 04400, DATE TIME GROUP 2422)3 Z APR 78. REFERENCE E OF STATE 112746 SHOULD HAVE READ NASSAU 915 REPEAT 915, DATE TIME GROUP 272)27 Z APR 78. VANCE

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